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a. Pitchblende shipments from the Aue uranium mining district to Pechtelsgruen declined remarkably, though the labor force in the mining district was steadily increasing. Daily shipments, previously 30 to 40 carloads, dropped to half that amount. According to information of miners employed in the Schneeberg district, the reason for this decline was that construction of dressing plants was commencing at the individual mines. These construction projects were necessary because of the acute lack of rolling stock and the water shortage already experienced in the past year. (Water conditions in Schneeberg are exceptionally favorable).

b. This information may be correct as the Soviets recently brought up many strong water pipes, field RR tracks, and dump cars, which will probably be used for shipping the pitchblende from the different objects to the dressing plant.

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Sixty thousand workmen were employed in uranium mining in Aue (N51/K5 and vicinity. The ore was dressed in the Lengenfeld (N51/K22) and Tannenbergsthal (N51/K31) dressing plants and packed in sheet-metal containers which subsequently were packed in crates similar to 3-foot artillery shell containers. Forty box-carloads (total output of concentrates) left for the East under military guard in January 1949.

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The following pitchblende shipments left for the USSR from the uranium mining district:

1947:	40 tons
1 January to 1 August 1948:	60 tons

The total expense was 10½ billion RM.

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